

Kansas Inventory Up 4 Percent From Last Year

The September 1 inventory of hogs and pigs on Kansas farms totaled 1.63 million head, up 4 percent from September 1, 2002 and up 9 percent from June 1, 2003.

Hogs and pigs kept for breeding purposes totaled 165,000 head, up 3 percent from 2002. Breeding stock accounted for 10 percent of all hogs and pigs. Market hogs accounted for the remaining 90 percent of the total inventory, at 1.465 million head. Market hog inventory was up 5 percent from a year ago. Market hogs weighing less than 60 pounds, at 490,000 head, were 1 percent above a year ago, and 4 percent above September 1, 2001. The 60-119 pound weight group totaled 340,000 head, 31 percent above a year ago and up 17 percent from September 1, 2001. The 120-179 pound weight groups totaled 225,000 head, 6 percent below a year ago and down 18 percent from September 1, 2001. The over 180 pound weight group totaled 410,000 head, down 1 percent from last year but up

3 percent from September 2001.

March-May Pig Crop

The June-August pig crop in Kansas totaled 674,000 head, 6 percent below a year ago. Sows farrowed during this period, at 77,000 head, were down 6 percent from the same period a year ago with an average pigs per litter rate of 8.75. The pigs per litter rate was unchanged from last year's average of 8.75.

Farrowing Intentions

Kansas farmers intend to farrow 84,000 sows in the September-November quarter, 6 percent above the preceding year. For the December-February quarter, expected farrowings are estimated at 82,000 sows, 8 percent above last year.

Hogs And Pigs Inventory, September 1, Seventeen Major States

State	2002	2003	2003 % of 2002	State	2002	2003	2003 % of 2002
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arkansas	545	280	51	N. Carolina	10,200	9,900	97
Colorado	760	740	97	Ohio	1,490	1,450	97
Illinois	4,250	3,850	91	Oklahoma	2,480	2,430	98
Indiana	3,200	3,000	94	Pennsylvania	1,070	1,130	106
Iowa	15,600	15,700	101	S. Dakota	1,320	1,260	95
Kansas	1,560	1,630	104	Texas	1,000	920	92
Michigan	940	890	95	Wisconsin	480	500	104
Minnesota	6,100	6,300	103	Other States	3,880	3,743	96
Missouri	2,950	2,900	98	U. S.	60,725	59,623	98
Nebraska	2,900	3,000	103				

U.S. Inventory Down 2 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2003 was 59.6 million head. This was down 2 percent from September 1, 2002 but up 2 percent from June 1, 2003. Breeding inventory, at 5.88 million head, was down 3 percent from September 1, 2002 and down 1 percent from June 1, 2003. Market hog inventory, at 53.7 million head, was down 2 percent from September 1, 2002 but up 2 percent from June 1, 2003.

Pig Crop

The June-August U.S. pig crop, at 25.2 million head, was down 2 percent from both 2002 and 2001. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.83 million head, 2 percent below last year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs per litter was 8.90 pigs saved per litter for the June-August 2003 period, equivalent to last year.

Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 9.00 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

Farrowing Intentions

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.80 million sows farrow during the September-November 2003 quarter, 1 percent below the actual farrowings during the same period in 2002 and 3 percent below 2001. Intended farrowings for December-February 2004, at 2.77 million sows, are 2 percent below the same period in 2002 but 1 percent above 2001.

The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 35 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, unchanged from last year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for September 2002 through June 2003 were reviewed using final pig crop official slaughter, death loss, and updated import, and export data. Based on the findings of this review, no revisions were necessary to total hog inventory or pig crop in any quarter.



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Hogs And Pigs: Inventory, September 1

Item	Kansas			United States		
	2002	2003		2002	2003	
	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2002	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2002
All Hogs & Pigs	1,560	1,630	104	60,725	59,623	98
Breeding	160	165	103	6,054	5,882	97
Market	1,400	1,465	105	54,670	53,741	98
Market Hogs & Pigs By Weight Group:						
Under 60 pounds	485	490	101	20,070	19,862	99
60 - 119 pounds	260	340	131	13,655	13,570	99
120 - 179 pounds	240	225	94	11,019	10,848	98
180 pounds & over	415	410	99	9,926	9,461	95

Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs Per Litter, And Pig Crop

Item	Kansas			United States		
	2002	2003		2002	2003	
	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2002	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2002
June - August						
Sows Farrowing	82	77	94	2,887	2,826	98
Pig Crop ¹	718	674	94	25,700	25,150	98
Pigs per Litter ²	8.75	8.75	100	8.90	8.90	100
September - November						
Expected Farrowings	79	84	106	2,817	2,801	99
December - February						
Expected Farrowings	76	82	108	2,767	2,766	100

¹ Number of pigs born June-August that were still on hand September 1 or had been sold.

² Number of pigs.

Pigs Per Litter: By Size of Operation, United States, 2002 - 2003

Pig Crop	Pigs Per Litter on Operations Having					
	1-99 Head	100-499 Head	500-999 Head	1,000-1,999 Head	2,000-4,999 Head	5,000+ Head
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
2002						
Dec-Feb ¹	7.60	8.00	8.20	8.70	8.80	8.90
Mar-May	7.60	8.00	8.40	8.70	8.70	9.00
Jun-Aug	7.60	8.00	8.40	8.60	8.70	9.00
Sep-Nov	7.50	8.20	8.40	8.60	8.70	9.00
2003						
Dec-Feb ¹	7.60	8.00	8.20	8.70	8.80	8.90
Mar-May	7.60	8.00	8.40	8.70	8.70	9.00
Jun-Aug	7.60	8.00	8.40	8.60	8.70	9.00

¹ December preceding year.

For market analysis of this report, please refer to the website www.agecon.ksu.edu/livestock/ for Jim Mintert’s MARKET IMPLICATION REPORT. Mr. Mintert is an Extension Ag Economist at KSU-Research & Extension Service.